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WHOLE NO. 1445

Boom Your Own Town.



Business will prosper
Only when the people
Of the community
Make a united effort.

Your business depends
On others' prosperity.
Unless we work together
Results are disappointing.

Only those prosper
Whose patrons are prosperous.
Nothing succeeds like success!

Towns thrive and flourish
Only when they deserve to—
When their own people
Neglect no opportunities.

THE COMMISSIONERS PUT OUT LIGHTS

Claim Mr. Baumgaertner is Too High with Rates

They Refuse to Stand For It and
Have Lights Cut Out.

TROUBLE TO BE AIRED IN COURT

Commissioners Say Contract Has
Been Flagrantly Violated.

The Wise county commissioners' court and E. H. Baumgaertner of the Decatur light plant, have disagreed over furnishing electric lights for the courthouse, and since Tuesday night the "temple of justice" has been as the proverbial stack of black cats. The commissioners claim that a contract was entered into with Mr. Baumgaertner some two months ago for the Decatur light and power company to furnish electricity for the courthouse at the rate of 15 cents a kilowatt, and that a meter was purchased and installed by the commissioners at the time the contract was made; and they now claim that Mr. Baumgaertner comes with an account against the county far in excess of the regulation meter rates. This the court positively refuses to stand for, and the lights were promptly turned out Tuesday night. It is supposed that the commissioners will install the gas lights which are proving so satisfactory to many of our merchants, being, they claim, cheaper and far superior to the electric lights in this town.

It is reported that the commissioners and Mr. Baumgaertner's differences will be taken into the courts and settled.

Again the bugaboo, the nightmare that has kept Decatur citizens in a stew bobs up, this time for the commissioners to wrestle with. This light

and water question has been the cause of more complaint among Decatur citizens than any question arising here since the town was located. That we have a bad system of waterworks and a weak electric light plant is well known, and if some remedy and improvement is not forthcoming soon, mark our prediction, this town will be dotted with windmills and the gas company will be doing a land office business. Now, if standing by the the company and assisting Mr. Baumgaertner will cause him to improve the service, let the citizens do so.

President Helps Orphans.

Hundreds of orphans have been helped by the President of the Industrial and Orphan's Home at Macon, Ga., who writes: "We have used Electric Bitters in this Institution for nine years. It has proved a most excellent medicine for Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. We regard it as one of the best family medicines on earth." It invigorates the vital organs, purifies the blood, aids digestion, creates appetite. To strengthen and build up thin, pale, weak children or run-down people it has no equal. Best for female complaints. Only 50c at Man & Simmons.

Speakers Are Announced.

County Superintendent of Instruction Ben Short, who is president of the Northwest Texas Teachers' Ass'n. announces that the following prominent officials will address the association to convene here Feb. 26 and 27: State Superintendent Cousins, J. L. Henderson, visitor of schools, State University; J. N. Cantrell, Superintendent of Schools, Ft. Worth. The city teachers and faculty of the Baptist college, together with the citizens, will co-operate to make the coming convention a success.

Too Much Face

You feel as if you had one face too many when you have Neuralgia don't you? Save the face, you may need it; but get rid of the Neuralgia by applying Ballard's Snow Liniment. Finest thing in the world for rheumatism, neuralgia, burns, cuts, scalds, lame back and all pains. Sold by Man & Simmons.

GRANDJURY REPORT.

State of Texas, County of Wise.
To the Hon. J. W. Patterson, District Judge.

We your duly empanelled Grand Jury for the Nov. term A. D. 1908 beg to submit this final report to your Honor.

While we find that peace and quietude generally prevails over our county, yet we find that there is likely some liquor being sold despite the efforts of the officers of the county to prevent same. The reason of this is, in our opinion, due to the fact that the man who buys liquor from a bootlegger does not hesitate to perjure himself to keep from giving him away as a rule.

We also find that there is some gaming going on in the county; this law however, is not likely to be violated to a very great extent. We also find that there is a great deal of disposing of mortgaged property going on. We believe that this is due in part to the fact that petit juries have been very prone to acquit these defendants in the past, hence discouraging the officers in what effort they have made to prevent violation of this law.

We have visited and inspected the county jail, and found it well kept, and in good condition, except some leaks around the windows which we recommend to be fixed by the proper authority.

We also recommend that the court house roof be repaired where leaks now exist.

We have been in session nine days, and during that time have examined at least one hundred witnesses, and have as a result found 14 true bills, 7 felonies, and 7 misdemeanors.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. FULGHUM,
Foreman of Grand Jury.

Croup positively stopped in 20 minutes, with Dr. Shoop's Croup Remedy. One test alone will surely prove this truth. No vomiting, no distress. A safe and pleasing syrup—50c. Sold by C. B. Gunn.

SOWARD TALKS ABOUT THE PANHANDLE

A. A. Soward, formerly of Decatur, and for many years one of the leading insurance men of this section, and J. W. Bradford, formerly of Bridgeport, are located in Petersburg, Hale county and doing a general real estate business there. Mr. Soward, who is in Decatur this week, informs us the Frisco-El Paso Cutoff, from Altus Oklahoma to El Paso, is now grading in five miles of his town, and that there is great activity in real estate as a consequence; he also declares this is the best all round farming country in Texas. Has no boll weevil, no overflows, no Johnson grass; every acre good, and a fine fruit growing country. Hale county took the following premiums at the fair at Dallas last October, Viz: First on Hard Wheat, Alfalfa, also Alfalfa Seed; two firsts and sweepstakes on Apples; second on Sugar Beets, Celery, Ben Davis apples, best six ears Corn, June Corn, Potatoes and Popcorn. They also took first best Farm Exhibit of any county or association in Texas.

These cold facts, Mr. Soward thinks, justifies the prediction that as soon as they have railroad facilities, this land will rapidly increase in value, for he says that no land in any country, producing 40 to 60 bu. of corn per acre, growing alfalfa, wheat, and all other grains feedstuffs, and fruits—especially apples of the finest kinds—in abundance, and cotton from one-fourth to a bale per acre can long remain below \$50 to \$75 per acre; this is what he confidently predicts for the country in the near future.

Besides 70 large cups from each 25 cent package of Dr. Shoop's health Coffee, I now put in a 25c clever silver "No-Drip" Coffee Strainer coupon. Look for it! the satisfaction of Health Coffee is besides the most perfect. Made only from pure toasted cereals, malt, nuts, etc. Sold by C. B. Gunn.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Monday the 8th day of Feb. 1909 the commissioners court of Wise county Texas will receive proposals from any banking incorporation, association or individual banker in Wise county as may be desired to be selected as the depository of the funds of said Wise county for the next two years. Said bids will be opened at 10 o'clock a. m. Feb. 8th 1909. C. V. Terrell
Co. Judge of Wise Co. Texas.

IN MEMOY OF ORVILLE HOLT

Whereas, the fell destroyer has entered the ranks of our Loyal Sunday School army and smitten one of our most promising recruits, Orville Holt, who only a few months ago had come among us but in that brief time had made for himself a large place in our regard by his sunny disposition and loyal devotion to duty.

Therefore, be it resolved. 1st that we bow in humble submission to our Heavenly Father's will and shall tenderly cherish his memory and emulate his cheerfulness and faithfulness.

2nd that we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the lonely parents and sister and bid them comfort themselves in the hope of a reunion in the land of Eternal Youth.

3rd that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the bereaved parents, the city papers and a copy spread on the minutes of the Sunday School.

Committee.
Conley Rush
Roy Steghall,
John Bridges,

The Pure Food Law.

Secretary Wilson says: "One of the objects of the law is to inform the consumer of the presence of certain harmful drugs in medicines." The law requires that the amount of chloroform, opium, morphine, and other habit forming drugs be stated on the label of each bottle. The manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have always claimed that their remedy did not contain any of these drugs, and the truth of this claim is now fully proven, as no mention of them is made on the label. This remedy is not only one of the safest, but one of the best in use for coughs and colds. Its value has been proven beyond question during the many years it has been in general use. For sale by City Drug Store—Man & Simmons.

There is no quinine, nothing whatever harsh nor sickening in Preventics. These little Candy Cold Cure Tablets set as by magic. A few hours and your threatening cold is broken. Candylike in taste. Preventics please the children—and they break the feverishness, always. And least of all is the economy. A large box—48 Preventics—25 cents. Ask your druggist. He knows! Sold by C. B. Gunn.

TEXAS NEWS ITEMS

Judge Smith introduced a bill Friday in congress to appropriate \$600,000 for the improvement and enlargement of Fort Bliss at El Paso.

State Health Officer Brumby Friday telegraphed orders raising the quarantine against San Augustine county, the order going into effect at midnight.

Doc Thomas, one of the Texas Rangers stationed at Amarillo belonging to Company A, is dead from the result of a bullet through the head received Tuesday morning morning about 1 o'clock.

In one of the prettiest wrestling matches ever seen in Dallas Joe Kelley of that city sustained Friday night at Turner Hall his claims to Texas by throwing Frank Merlink of Germany two successive falls.

A cyclone passed north of Mineola Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock. It formed about three miles west of town, traveling in a northeasterly direction for about four miles when it left the earth. Considerable damage was done to property.

Mr. Sheppard appeared before the house committee on agriculture Tuesday morning in advocacy of his bill to appropriate \$500 to enable the agricultural department to experiment in making paper from cotton stalks.

W. B. McCormick, local pioneer oil and gas field operator, announced Friday that he has ordered 25 miles of 6 1-2 inch pipe, and will, within ten days, commence construction of a natural gas line from the Caddo field to Marshall Texas.

It has cost the government \$15,000 already in the employment of private detective agencies to investigate the Brownsville affair and the contracts are still in force. This information was received by the Senate Tuesday from Secretary of War Wright.

That the Missouri Kansas and Texas management is seriously considering the proposition of double-tracking its line between Dallas and Waxahachie is admitted by a Dallas railroad official who is in a position to know how heavy the traffic is over that section of the line.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Juliette Fowler Orphans' Home Association held Friday in Dallas arrangements were practically perfected for the erection of a \$50,000 structure to be used for a home for women over 70 years of age.

The bill to create a standard board of health for Texas has been completed by State Health Officer Brumby and his associates. The bill completely revolutionize the present system in the health department, in the live stock sanitation commission, pure food department and vital statistics.

Col. John N. Simpson, receiver of the Tres Palacios Canal Company of Bay City, Tuesday sold at public outcry the property of the company. The consideration was \$125,000 of which about \$25,000 was cash and the balance as the court desires it. The sale is subject to the approval of the court.

A deal was closed Tuesday in which a syndicate represented by T. Coleman, a well known West Texas stockman purchased the Callaghan ranch in Webb County, containing 125,000 acres of grazing land. The price is said to have been \$700,000.

Mrs. Carl Lockett, who resides about one mile west of Mullin, was found in her room Wednesday evening with her clothes burned from her body. She died from the effects of the burns Friday evening.

Edward Wright, commissioned by General Booth to investigate the advisability of establishing a Salvation Army colony in Mexico was received Tuesday by President Diaz. The chief executive warmly commended the project.

The city council of Kaufman has passed an ordinance to issue \$6000 of waterworks bonds. It levied the tax for this year, which was the same as last year \$1.10 on each \$100 valuation.

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

ITEMS FOR BUSINESS PEOPLE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

The coldest weather Dallas has experienced in three years was Wednesday night. At 7 o'clock the mercury registered 18 above zero.

The bank deposit guaranty law of Oklahoma is defended by the officers and stockholders of the State banks and by the great majority of depositors.

The 6-year-old daughter of Cal Hamner was drowned in a pond near their home a few miles west of Merkel. She was sent for water and fell in the pond.

George Stevens, while insane, shot W. C. Colson and Joel Miles, his best friends, and then shot himself to death, at Lola, Texas, Sunday. Colson and Miles will recover.

President Diaz and cabinet Sunday attended a bull fight given for the benefit of the Italian earthquake sufferers. Thirty-five thousand dollars (gold) was added to the Mexican relief fund.

A pretty good sized land rush has been in progress in Andrews county for the last few days. About 200 sections have been declared forfeited by the land commissioner in that county for the non-payment of annual rental.

With a knife stab through the heart, Dennis Robertson, a negro man of Houston, lived about four hours Sunday night. Had he been placed in the hands of surgeons before having lost so much blood his life would have been saved.

The six men sentenced to death at Union City, Tenn., and two others sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment, have been placed in jail here and will be held in confinement to await the action of the state supreme court, which will meet in Jackson next April.

A disastrous gas explosion, in which twenty-five men lost their lives, occurred at an early hour on Sunday in Joseph Leiter's famous colliery at Zeigler, Ill. A spark from a trolley pole of an electric motor coming in contact with a pocket of gas is assigned as the cause of the explosion.

Hon. W. C. Davis of Brazos will introduce in the legislature at Austin a bill to provide for construction by the state of a trolley line from the A. & M. College at Bryan. He says the college cannot now accept all the students offering or house all of those enrolled. It is asking for \$150,000 for new dormitories.

That the 2,000,000 Jews who live in America should vigorously engage in the movement which contemplates the purchase of Palestine from the Turks and the colonization of that land with a million or more Jews, now desperately oppressed in Russia and Roumania, and other lands, was the contention of A. H. Fromenson of New York, addressing Sunday night prominent Jews of Dallas at Bush Temple.

T. B. Love, commissioner of insurance and banking, has been preparing a bill for guaranteeing deposits in state banks of Texas and same will be introduced in the legislature.

Representative Jess Baker of Granbury has drawn a bill relative to compulsory education. The bill as he now has it compels the attendance of all children in Texas between the ages of 7 to 17 until they have completed the eighth grade at school, either public or private.

The anti-tuberculosis exhibit which has for several months past been making stands in Texas towns is now on exhibition in Georgetown.

The Hamlin Herald, a weekly publication, was totally destroyed by fire about 9 o'clock Tuesday evening. The building and plant were valued at \$6000.

The Board of Trade has closed a deal for the building of a starch factory in Childress. Work will begin immediately and the plant rushed to completion.

Senator D. M. Alexander of Weatherford will offer in the Thirty-first legislature a bill to establish a school of technology and agriculture in Weatherford.

The Emperor of Korea, accompanied by Marquis Ito of Japan and his ministers, left the capital Thursday morning for a tour of the empire it being his purpose to investigate conditions.

Gustav H. Schwab at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Thursday in New York started a movement for the alteration of the Panama canal so as to provide a sea-level canal.

Senator W. J. Bryan of Abilene is preparing a bill to be presented to the Texas legislature to provide for the operation by convict labor of a plant to manufacture low-grade cotton into bags, sacks and twine.

Dr. W. S. Chaplain, formerly chancellor of Washington University of St. Louis has been selected president of a company to construct an irrigation canal to cost \$1,200,000 through Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr Counties, Texas. The St. Louis Union Trust Company has agreed to finance the project on a guarantee of 6 per cent net interest, which has been given.

About \$75,000, 000 would be required to carry out the program for increasing the navy as outlined to the House Committee on Naval Affairs Thursday by Secretary Newberry of the Navy Department. Four battleships of 25,000 tons are asked for in addition to the four scout cruisers, four submarines, ten destroyers, three colliers, one repair and one ammunition ship.

The senate was very much more incensed at the President Wednesday than it has been at any time heretofore, because in his reply to the resolution of Senator Culberson, he set up the doctrine that neither house of congress has any warrant to direct a cabinet officer to do anything. This regards the matter of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company and United States Steel Corporation.

About 3000 homeseekers reached Fort Worth Thursday over the Santa Fe, Katy and Rock Island. Of these the Santa Fe had four trains, one of which consisted of thirteen cars. The Katy came next with three trains and the Rock Island with two. They were for general distribution to various parts of the State, some going to West Texas, a large number to the coast country and some into Mexico.

That the Standard Oil Company is trying to force Henry Clay Pierce out of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company even at the sacrifice of its own interests is apparent from the fact that the Galena Oil Company, one of the largest of the subsidiary corporations of the Standard Oil, has quietly entered the Missouri field and is cutting rates to such an extent that the Waters-Pierce company cannot compete with it.

By a vote of 212 to 34 the House of Representatives in Washington tabled all reference made by President Roosevelt to the secret service, both in his first message to congress this session and in his second special message in answer to a house resolution. The vote followed seven hours of debate, replete with interest to crowded galleries, but on the whole, the assault of the House on the President except for the rebuke administered by the adoption of the report of the select committee, was considered mild by the membership.

Mrs. Summar, wife of J. G. Summar, a druggist of Sidell, was killed in a runaway Thursday afternoon.

For his part in the dispatching of the steamer Goldsboro to Honduras last spring with \$80,000 worth of goods said to have been obtained under false pretense, Albert W. Bailey, former secretary and treasurer of the defunct Export Shipping Company, of New York, Tuesday was sentenced to state's prison for not less than four years and six months or more than six years and eight months.

At Texarkana Wednesday night a fire in the business portion of the city caused damage estimated at \$200,000.

The Railroad Commission Friday received a petition from the Galveston Chamber of Commerce asking that it hold a general hearing to consider the matter of readjusting rates into and out of Galveston on classes and commodities, the idea being to have the differential abolished, like the court ordered on the Brownsville line.

THIRTY-TWO ARE HURT

SEVEN CARS LEAVE TRACK AT CURVE NEAR HAMBURG, MISSOURI.

TEXANS AMONG THE INJURED

Passenger Train Going Thirty-Five Miles an Hour When Trucks of Chair Car Give Way.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 13—Twenty-two persons were injured, four of them seriously, yesterday afternoon when the Katy Flyer from Texas went into the ditch at Hamburg, Mo., while rounding a curve at thirty-five miles an hour. The 200 passengers on the train were thrown headlong in every direction when the nine coaches left the tracks and the majority of those inside the coaches escaped by climbing through the windows. The injured were lifted out the same way and for nearly two hours they stood about in the immense snowdrifts along the track waiting for a relief train. Due into St. Louis at 8 a. m., the train was eight hours late at Hamburg, a hamlet of less than 200 people. Two engines were battling their way through the drifts, the Flyer being the first train through. While plunging around the curve where the wreck occurred, the front trucks on the first coach, a chair car, gave way, and every coach followed it from the tracks. Passengers inside were pitched over and under seats and lay scattered in heaps along the side of the cars until the engines stopped. Door of several of the cars were jammed shut and could not be opened. The more seriously hurt were carried into the little station at Hamburg and the 200 others fought off the cold by tramping up and down the station platform.

Suit for Forfeiture of Charter.

Austin: The attorney general advised the railroad commission Monday that suit is to be brought against the International and Great Northern railroad to forfeit the charter on the grounds of insolvency, and also to bring proceedings against the road to compel it to put the road in safe physical condition.

Weather Condition in Texas.

Galveston: Reports received at the United States weather bureau Tuesday night at 8 o'clock indicate that the weather has moderated considerably in the western and northwestern parts of the state, but in the eastern and southern sections cold bad weather prevails, with but little improvement of conditions compared with Monday.

\$15,000 Loss at El Paso.

El Paso: Fire in the commission house of D. M. Payne & Co. Tuesday night damaged the brick building and stock to the amount of \$15,000. A general alarm was turned in and for hours the entire department of the city fought the flames and prevented their spreading.

Fire Badly Damages Residence.

Dallas: The elegant \$20,000 home of A. P. Tenison, 466 Ross avenue, was damaged by fire, which started at 5 o'clock Tuesday evening to the extent of \$10,000 and the damage to the furniture and furnishings also amounted to several thousand dollars.

Tennessee Pros Win Out.

Nashville, Tenn.: At 5:02 Tuesday afternoon Senate bill No. 1, providing for the prohibition of the sale of liquor within four miles of any school house in Tennessee, passed the third and final reading in the senate. It is expected that the house will pass the bill on Wednesday.

Hog and Hominy Week.

Sherman: This in truth and in fact is hog and hominy week in Sherman. Tuesday and Wednesday the State Swine Breeders' Association will be held and on Thursday and Friday the representative corn growers of Texas will be here.

West Texas Commercial Clubs.

Seymour: Standing room was at a premium in the district court room in Seymour when the eighteenth monthly convention of the Central West Texas Commercial Clubs was called to order by the temporary president, R. E. Fowlkes.

BREAKS A COLD PROMPTLY

The following formula is a never failing remedy for colds:

One ounce of Compound Syrup of Sarsaparilla, one ounce Toris Compound and one-half pint of good whiskey, mix and shake thoroughly each time and use in doses of a tablespoonful every four hours.

This if followed up will cure an acute cold in 24 hours. The ingredients can be gotten at any drug store.

The Disturbing Telephone.

"The telephone has destroyed all the privacy of society," said the society girl. "It breaks in on everything. Nothing is sacred to it. You may be saying your prayers. The telephone. Or in the midst of your bath. The telephone. Or doing up your back hair, or, worst of all, a delightful man may be making love to you, when k-ling, k-ling, k-ling! The telephone breaks off the thread of his theme and he fails to resume it."

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surface.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Too Skeptical for Fairies.

The modern child believes in fairies, probably no more than he does in Santa Claus. The next generation will most likely dispense with children's books altogether. And yet, it is said, and no doubt truly, that there was never an age when so much literature for children's use was written.—Ladies' Field.

Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best.

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of SKIN DISEASE. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of ITCHING known. ECZEMA, TETTER, RINGWORM and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

A Toast.

The latest thing in toasts comes from "up-state," and was responded to by the father of 12 daughters, who claims that he ought to know.

"To the Ladies—to their sweetness we give love; to their beauty admiration, and to their hats, the whole sidewalk.—New York Times.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the

Signature of *Wm. A. Platt* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Thy yesterday is thy past; thy to-day is thy future; thy to-morrow is a secret.—Wycliffe.



Red Cross Fever and Headache Powders

have been proven by years of severe tests to be the most effective Remedy made for Headache, Neuralgia, Sleeplessness, in fact all pains in the head. They contain no Morphine, Cocaine, Choral. If you cannot get them from your Druggist send us 25c for a box.



WIRE AND WIRELESS

By E. G. DANVERS

The going ashore warning had been sounded and the home-stayers were hurrying to give their last messages, say their last farewells. It seemed to Mona Wayland that every passenger aboard had friends to say good-by to except herself.

The thought only served to increase her bitterness of spirit, though she had carefully planned to conceal her departure that there might be no one at the dock to see her off.

Friends at such a time could only serve to accentuate the self-pity that had sustained her ever since she had read that fateful telegram. This was to have been her wedding journey. She and Graham Temple had planned to take the trip. It was to have been Graham's first visit abroad and they had laid out a tour that should cover the whole continent.

Then Temple had been called to New Mexico to look after some mining interests and presently the papers had reported his marriage to



Mechanically She Stretched Out Her Hand.

the Senora Mendez, who owned the mines adjacent to his and who was reported to be worth several millions.

Harry Vieland had often joked Graham about his conquest of the Mexican woman, but Mona had not taken it seriously. When the telegraphic dispatch appeared in all the papers and Graham had not written in two weeks, she feared what she thought was the bitter truth.

Unable to bear the sympathy of her friends, Mona had arranged to slip quietly off to Europe. Her aunt would join her in London, and by the time they returned the broken romance would have been forgotten. She sat quietly in the shadow of the funnels on the upper deck and idly watched the preparations for departure through tear-blinded eyes.

There were few on the upper deck. Most of the passengers were crowding the lower rails to catch last glimpses of their friends as the huge ship backed slowly out of the slip, and with the help of the noisy, panting tugs headed for the opening of the Narrows.

Even the men were too busy to give more than a passing notice at the handsome girl whose wealth of golden hair was snugly held in place by the veil that served also to hold in place her trim stalking cap. And yet Mona Wayland was well worth a second glance. Her well-rounded figure showed to excellent advantage in the severely tailored suit of blue cloth and the clear pallor of her complexion and the soft flush of her cheeks were things to be remembered.

Slowly the impressive panorama of the harbor slipped past; the wonderful sky line of the city, the villadotted shores of Staten island and the more populous Long island shore, but Mona gave no heed. She was lost in her thoughts and her thoughts were far from pleasant.

She had loved Temple with an in-

tensity that sometimes frightened her, and her disappointment was the more keen because she had trusted him so implicitly. For nearly a year they had planned for their marriage, and when he had wed another without even a word to her, both love and pride were sorely hurt. She would not stay at home and let others condole with her. It was less than a week since the item had appeared. Yet it seemed to her that years had passed since her father had handed her the paper at the breakfast table.

The bugler blew the luncheon call, the notes sounding soft and clear as they floated up from the main deck, but Mona gave no heed. She wanted only to be let alone, to sit back in her chair and watch the fading of the land, comparing it with the dying of her hopes.

In review, she brought all of the incidents of the year of their engagement, recalling all their tender intercourse and trying to deaden her feelings with the thought that it was all insincere and that Temple had forgotten his tender vows in the thought of the material advantage to be gained through a marriage with the owner of the adjoining mines.

She had thought that by this means she might succeed in deadening the bitter pangs of her heart, but instead every memory only increased her suffering, and at last, unable to bear with her pain, she rose and descended to the lower deck in the hope that she might find distraction in the company of other passengers.

As she reached the other deck the passengers were coming up from lunch, and a boy was pacing the decks for her. Mechanically she stretched out her hand for the envelope he held and tore it open.

It was a long one from Temple, and told of his arrival in the city just too late to find her. His telegrams had been delayed during the strike and the first knowledge he had had of his reported marriage was when his friends had jokingly congratulated him.

A hurried inquiry had developed the fact that Vieland's cousin was an operator handling the Press Association dispatches and that he had changed the name of the bridegroom probably at Vieland's instigation.

In a flash Mona saw the plan. It was Harry Vieland who had been first to offer her his sympathy. She had wondered then at his suggestion that they get married immediately to show Temple that she did not care. It was all a part of his scheme. While pretending to be Temple's friend had only sought to win her for himself.

With trembling hands she took the pencil to write an answer. "Follow on next steamer," she wrote. "Ceremony can be performed in London. I liked wireless better than wire."

And Temple, reading the reply, fervently blessed the wireless that had reduced his suspense to so short a period.

HEED SOUTHERN PROTEST.

Baltimore's school board, heeding a protest of the Daughters of the Confederacy, has decided not to place in the public schools of Baltimore copies of a print of Saint Gauden's equestrian statue of Gen. William T. Sherman. The protest of the Daughters points out that Gen. Sherman is represented as "a conqueror riding his horse in triumph over the prostrate south, typified by a branch of Georgia pine trampled beneath his horse's feet—a presentation abhorrent to all southern people."

HORRORS.

"Does your wife ever tell you she has nothing to wear?"
"Worse than that."
"What could be worse than that?"
"She tells me she hasn't enough clothes in which to do a Salome dance."—Houston Post.

NO NEED OF IT.

"I would die for you," exclaimed her lover, passionately.
"Oh, don't," she answered, in alarm; "I would like your hair and mustache so much better as they are."—Stray Stories.

DIET AND HEALTH

By DR. J. T. ALLEN
Food Specialist

Author of "Eating for a Purpose," "The New Gospel of Health," Etc.

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INFANT FEEDING.

The effects of wrong feeding in adult life, including those of alcoholism and other forms of intemperance, are undoubtedly hereditary whether the habits of alcoholism, tobacco and unnatural eating are transmissible or not. We know that the vitality of the infant is determined by the vitality of the parents—though not altogether by the average vitality—and the powers of nutrition are the fundamental powers transmitted to offspring.

We may not always be able to trace family history in eyes and lungs, but we can always find it in stomach and liver and intestines.

The food of the young dog, horse, cow, ape and human, in common with all other mammalia, is milk. The natural food of the mature dog is flesh; that of the others is vegetable. The digestive systems of the ape and man resemble, slightly, that of the dog; not, I think, as some argue, because their natural food is largely flesh, but because nuts closely resemble flesh, chemically. The gorilla has "canine" teeth, but it is a strict vegetarian. The boar's "canine" teeth are his means of defense.

Albumen, the chief constituent of flesh, is digested chiefly in the stomach by the action of the gastric fluid. Accordingly, the intestine of the dog is short in proportion, the stomach being 60 per cent. of the entire digestive tract. The cow's stomach is very complicated; she has, in fact, four stomachs. This is because her natural food requires much dilution with saliva and rumination before it can be passed on to the intestine, not that proteid is the chief element of the cow's food, as in the dog.

Now the stomach of the cow plays a much more important part, relatively to the intestinal digestion, than in man. Cow's milk is, chemically and mechanically, adapted to this physiological difference. It does not as soon break up into small curds, and is, therefore, retained longer in the calf's stomach. This peculiarity partly explains the difficulty of digesting cow's milk and should be considered in any attempt to modify cow's milk so as to adapt it to infant feeding.

We know that the health of the infant, its nervous moods, its physical health and temper in general, are influenced by those of the mother, through the food. This alone would indicate the impossibility of perfect adaptation of cow's milk to infant feeding. At best it is unnatural, but as it is in many cases necessary, partly or entirely, we must make the most of it. An imperfectly nourished child is more liable to diseases of childhood and survives with greater difficulty. Food is not, of course, the only requirement for health, but it is fundamental.

In cases in which cow's milk must be used, care should be taken to see that the cow is healthy, unless herd milk is used, that no preservative is used, that the bottles and other vessels with which it comes in contact are washed well with boiling water, never with river or cistern water, that it is not unnecessarily exposed to dust or barnyard contamination, for milk absorbs bacteria as a sponge absorbs water and they develop very rapidly. The feeding bottle should be thorough-

ly washed in boiling water after and before using. It is best to have two, the one not in use kept immersed in a solution of common baking soda.

Cow's milk can not be made identical with the infant's natural food; but it can be approximated to it. The chief difficulty to be overcome is to modify the large curds of cow's milk that tend to remain in the stomach longer than they should, as the development of the calf's stomach requires that its food shall have a much heavier curd than that required by the infant, in which intestinal digestion is more important. The use of lactic tablets, as explained in my last article, entirely obviates this difficulty besides overcoming other objections to the use of cow's milk.

To reduce the proportion of the elements in cow's milk to approximately the standard of human milk, pour off about half of the fat that settles to the top of the bottle; add as much water as the whole amount of milk and a tablespoonful of sugar. Milk sugar is to be preferred to cane sugar, always objectionable. The addition of a little lime water is, in many cases, beneficial.

As a rule infants, like adults, are overfed. No doubt one of the reasons for the greater endurance and freedom from disease of wild animals is the fact that the young are less likely to be overfed, as every naturalist knows. An infant probably would starve in one-tenth the time that an adult can subsist without food, but eating too often and too much becomes a habit with the infant as with the adult. An infant may cry for food when it is food drunk; what it may need is water. And children cry for other reasons than because they are hungry. Stopping an infant's cry continually with food is easy but unwise.

Nature provides an extremely light diet for the first few days of infancy. Let us not supersede her method till we know better.

Once every two hours is often enough for the first month and every third hour thereafter. If there is a real demand between the periods, sweetened water should be given (distilled or boiled water and milk sugar). Constant overfeeding causes an abnormal appetite, as in the adult, that is never satisfied.

No definite rule can be laid down as to the amount required. The best that has been suggested is, an ounce for each month, beginning with two ounces, increasing to eight ounces at eight months, after which full milk will be used. Moderate, judicious exercise now becomes important. A child needs exercise before it can walk. The freer its opportunities for movement the better.

The infant digestive system is not adapted to cereal food, always a cause of more or less digestive difficulty and expenditure of vitality, even in the adult. Under no circumstances should white bread, moistened with tea, coffee, milk or gravy be given to an infant.

There are many infant foods on the market, composed of cereals or of cereals with milk, malted. In cases of milk poisoning, or of serious digestive disorder resulting from unbalanced feeding, due to the inadaptability of cow's milk, something must be substituted for the milk, but it does not follow that because a child improves on the substitution of one of these prepared cereals it is better as a permanent diet. It is also well to keep in mind that a child is not healthy merely because it is fat. It may be failing to develop the digestive system normally. It may become so "flabby" that it will fall a prey to disease when the fatty degeneration has reached its limit and the conditions are favorable for disease.

The common practice, when cow's milk disagrees, is to adapt the milk by mixing it with oatmeal or barley water. This cereal tends to break up the coarse curd of cow's milk, but it is in itself unsuitable, though the remedy is better than the disease; the prepared foods are better as the cereal in them is malted.

Cereal foods are digested with difficulty by the adult and should not be given freely to children. Sparse bread, never less than two days old, is preferable to fine white bread which a child should never be given fresh.

At the age of one year a very small quantity of pulverized fresh peanut may be taken, at noon, in water, forming a peanut cream, and the amount very gradually increased till at two it forms half the diet. A small piece of zwiebach may now be added to the evening meal and very gradually increased till it becomes one-half, by weight, of the evening meal, when both should be continued.

At three, the regular diet of childhood should be fully established. At seven in the morning a drink of water with lemon juice and only enough sugar to make it acceptable; at eight, apple, cantaloupe, ripe banana or other fruit; nothing else, unless water is called for. At ten as much artificial buttermilk as can be taken; at noon a slice or more of whole wheat or combination cereal bread with pulverized peanut. If the child is really hungry and healthy he will eat this with good relish.

At three give the modified milk. At six zwiebach with honey or, if preferred, prunes only. Give water as often as called for between meals, but nothing else.

Let the solicitous parent be fully assured that this diet will develop the highest qualities of body and mind and that sickness will be avoided, if the child is properly aired, watered, exercised and amused and protected from stagnated, foul air, bad water and sudden changes of temperature or too much clothing in warm weather.

The goat is the healthiest of all animals, always free from tuberculosis. Its milk is in every respect superior to cow's as a substitute in infant feeding, and it ought to be adopted for general use, there being no reasonable objection but lack of knowledge of the facts.

It is a poor goat that will not give from one to four quarts of milk a day, and it costs no more to feed than a dog, where there is a fair-sized back yard.

Tests show that goat's milk approximates to the natural infant's food more closely than does cow's milk. Digestive tests indicate it to be three times more digestible, the curds being much finer and the fat far more soluble.

Absolute cleanliness and freedom from disease is, however, the chief recommendation of goat's milk.

"Go to the hills and drink goat's milk," was the prescription of Hippocrates, the father of medicine, for tuberculosis. We are making the search for a cure for "the great white plague" a serious matter, as it should be, but the true cure is at least fully suggested in the method of the Greek physician.

Dr. Koch, the eminent discoverer of the tuberculosis germ, says the bovine and the human germ are not the same. However this may be, milk from a tuberculous animal is unwholesome; it may furnish a medium for the culture of tuberculosis. A case is on record in which a farmer, prohibited from selling the milk of an infected herd, fed it to his hogs and they were infected.

Now comparative anatomy and physiology and evolution attest that the nutritive system of the pig closely resembles man's.

It is chiefly because of the superior healthfulness, in general, of the goat, and its immunity from tuberculosis in particular, that I have advocated the substitution of goat's for cow's milk in infant feeding.

Taught First Aid to Injured.

More than 25,000 employees of the Pennsylvania railroad have been instructed in first aid to the injured at the company's expense.

Book Made of Marble.

At the Strozzi palace in Rome there is a book made of marble, the leaves being of marvelous thinness.

He Wasn't a Friend.

The editor's private stenographer was pretty and it became an advertised fact around the office that reporters and others had more business during her service with the editor than under the regimes of former stenographers in that office.

One day last week the assistant city editor went into the editor's room to see the editor. Outside the window was a painter, who, in order to get in a more advantageous position, hung by his hands to the top of the window frame, and was in this position when the assistant city editor entered the room.

The assistant city editor looked up at the suspended figure and said, laughingly:

"Friend of your, Miss-Blank?"

"No; he's only a hanger-on!"

Important to Bachelors.

Celibacy does not pay. A good marriage is the supreme human felicity; a tolerable marriage is as much as the tolerable majority of people deserve; but even a bad marriage is better than no marriage at all.—Book-fellow.

MARKING THE SOUR MILK COW

Explanation The Woman New to the Country Didn't Quite Believe.

The woman was new to the country and her host took great pains to explain to her whatever she didn't understand about the farm. He had little regard for the truth, this farmer, he delighted to test her gullibility to the utmost.

The cows seemed to interest her more than any other domestic animal. One of the cows had lost her tail somehow and this fact led the woman to ask why it was.

"That's the sour milk cow," the farmer explained with a straight face. "We always cut the tail off one cow in the herd so as to get sour milk fresh every day."

The woman looked her doubt. "It's perfectly true," the farmer insisted. "You see when the cow's tail is gone the sun shines continually on

the cow's udder and the constant heat sours the milk."

But the woman still doubted.

Tommy, the Boy Boxer.

An indulgent papa had many a jolly scrap with his 12-year-old boy, and grew proud of the youngster's willingness to "wade in" for a boxing bout, with or without gloves. One day he said to his wife: "Sally, our boy must be taught to take care of himself with his fists. He shows an aptitude for the manly art. I shall find a master of the science and put Tommy through a course of fisticuffs." "You'd better not; you will have trouble," said the sage wife. Her caution was unheeded. At 13 Tommy could hold his own with papa; at 14 he could drive the "old man" all over the room, and at 15 could put him out in three rounds. At 16 papa laid down altogether, and Thomas owned the house. "I told you so," said the mother of the boy to indulgent papa.

Cottonseed Meal and Hulls

THE superiority of cottonseed meal as a food for cattle, either as a fat and flesh producer or for milk and butter, has so long passed the experimental stage as to admit of no discussion. Its use as a most valuable hog feed, giving growth, flesh, development and fecundity is also established beyond controversy. That it is equal ly as valuable as a supplemental grain ration for horses and mules under all sorts of conditions, and especially so for brood mares and young colts is also acknowledged by all who have given it a fair trial.

Its use as a most superior food for all kinds of fowls is being demonstrated in the yards of many poultrymen who have learned by experience and test to give it first place as an egg producer, and for fat, flesh and condition. Cottonseed meal stands first in rank as a stock food, cow peas 9th, bran 10th, oats 16th, barley 22d, wheat 24th, rye 28th, corn 34th.

We want the people in the neighborhood of our mill to give meal and hulls a trial. One sack of meal and about 600 pounds of hulls is sufficient to give them a thorough test. That small amount won't cost you much. Just try them one time. You will thank us afterwards. We will trade meal and hulls for seed at the rate of 2000 pounds of hulls and three sacks (300 pounds) of meal for 1000 pounds of seed. Cash prices, meal \$1.35, and hulls 25c per 100 pounds.

WRITE and ask any of the following gentlemen what they think of hulls and meal as a feed. They have tried them this fall and know.

E. H. Brown,	D. Caddell,	W. E. Wolfe,	R. E. Bennett,
Joe S. Smith,	W. D. Wallace,	J. T. Day,	Hopp Taylor,
Orion Speer,	A. Y. Leslie,	G. A. Shankle,	T. G. Clegg,
W. Rosenberg,	Fred Foxall,	A. G. Gentry,	R. R. Sensabaugh,
J. F. Meek,	Dave Kerr,	H. H. Halsell,	John Rector,
C. D. Cates,	Gus Pickett,	W. W. Williams,	Tom Cranfill,
B. W. Milhollan,	Ed Mooney,	M. Skaggs,	Lee Baker,
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Young man, stand up for what you believe is right in politics. Don't be led by some old snoozer.

If a call for a look at the books of a public official makes that official mad, a look will reveal something.

If Culberson is in favor of the Texas legislature submitting the amendment, and Bailey is opposed to submission, what is your guess?

It appears now that the law prohibiting newspaper from contracting with the railway companies, will be killed in the early part of the present legislature.

The Wise county home protective association, No. 1, is in a flourishing condition. Mr. J. E. Boyd, the secretary, and a good one, too, has a statement in today's Messenger.

Have just finished reading one of Richard Dick McCarty heavy editorial outbursts in the Weatherford Democrat. Dick is neither phool nor philosopher, but is astride the happy medium between in his "Our Creed" article.

Another one of the South's brilliant senators has been accused of crookedness in office. This time it is Ben Tillman of South Carolina, and his accuser is the president. We believe Ben innocent. Only indiscreet —is that the word?

There are some big, strapping fellows around this town who should get to work. How they live, wear good cloths, smoke cigars, and occasionally take their lady loves for Sunday afternoon drives, is puzzling, to use a charitable term.

No doubt there are men in the Texas legislature who are no more mentally fit to enact law than so many children. This is the result of the Bailey fight, the main qualification being "Bailey" or "anti-Bailey," and now the suffering public is paying the freight.

Gentlemen, we are proud of the enemies we have made in our fight for more and purer water; and in our criticism of the work of the city council, though done in a friendly spirit, seems to have ruffled a few, a very few, of our citizens. Proof positive that we were right.

If the time ever comes when this writer allows malice, prejudice and downright cussedness to run riot over our judgment; to become so full of gangreen that every man who opposes my political views is my personal enemy and deserving death without the benefit of clergy; yes, when such ideas take root in this noodle of mine, then and there I'm going into the tall and uncut and run wild.

A "christian" mother's influence for good in the community is nil, if

that mother has sons who are as vile as the old devil himself. I have in mind a mrther who sheds tears as big as an April shower's drops at every Methodist protracted meeting over the waywardness of some other mother's son, when her own boys are as mean as the archdevil in hades.

When we behold a big, lusty-lung fellow constantly seeking office, we hastily conclude that the fool exterminator overlooked the one best bet. When a fellow becomes so sorry that it is office or go hungry, it is then time for the people to come alive and drive the lazy whelp to work. Dog-gone a fellow who can't make a living outside of a public office. And besides, the pie should be passed around.

We are in receipt of a letter from our good friend, Mrs. Mary G. Shown at Jacksboro, in which she sends the season's greetings and congratulates us on the way we are conducting the Messenger. Another letter comes from Mrs. Sue Newton-Long, at Chicago. Both are former citizens of Decatur, and have long been recognized as among this county's most brilliant women and writers of splendid abilities. With such good women with us, we are ready to tackle anything.

Rumor has it that Senator Bailey is going to resign from the senate and name Wm. Poindexter as his successor. Of all wild rumors concerning the senator this one is the limit. Gentle reader, your friend Joe Bailey is not going to resign his seat; and even if he should, he would not name the man who would come after him; but say that he would, that man would hardly be Poindexter. The judge is a good lawyer, a good man and a good campaign speaker, but falls woefully short in the measurements as a United States senator.

There is going to be something doing down at Austin in a few days, when that submission question comes up. The antis have their best "workers" on the ground beating the bushes and making medicine, and when the fight is over there will be low singing on the part of some of our "brilliant

legislators." Men who have been trapped and politically dammed by these wiley lobbyist. But on with the fight for submission.

And now our old friend, Joe Bailey, has come out teeth and toenail against prohibition. We have fought for Joe thru thick and thin, and supported him in his hottest fights, but we confess we are disappointed in him when he takes the wrong side of this great moral issue which is soon to be settled in Texas. No, we thought our Joseph Weldon was too great a patriot to take side of the bar-rooms and bums against the struggle for purer homes and a cleaner Texas. On this issue The Messenger parts company with the eloquent man from Gainesville. He has joined the wrong crowd.

The majority of the people of Texas demand a right to vote on whether or not Texas shall be dry, and it is the sworn duty of the Texas legislature to see that the people are given this privilege.

Senator Bailey is for submission but opposed to state-wide prohibition. Culberson is for submission, but God and Charley only know how he stands on the state-wide proposition.

Pay your poll tax and be a qualified citizen. The prohibition question is to be settled this year. Every pro should arm himself with a vote.

If you like the Messenger, tell your neighbor about the paper. The Messenger gives more for your dollar than any newspaper ever published in Decatur; more than twice the amount of local news than any other paper in town. You get more than 100 cents worth for your dollar. No "10c for ten weeks" proposition to offer, and the paper is stopped when ordered so.

The Meanest Man in Town is the one who always wears a frown, is cross and disagreeable, and is short and sharp in his answers. Nine cases out of ten it's not the poor fellow's fault, it's his liver and digestion that make him feel so miserable, he can't help being disagreeable. Are you in danger of getting into that condition? Then start at once taking Ballard's Herbine for your liver—the safe, sure and reliable vegetable regulator. Sold by Man & Simmons.

LODGE DIRECTORY.

A. F. & A. M., No. 447.—Meets Saturday night on or before first full moon of each month. D. J. Moss, W. M., J. H. Cates, Sec'y.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.—Meets on first Monday night after meeting of Blue Lodge. N. A. Moore, H. P., J. H. Cates, Sec.

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LOST—On Chico and Decatur road on Christmas eve a ladies long black cloak silk lined. Return to this office and receive liberal reward.

Taken from opera house after play of home talent "Union Depot" a long black dress coat. Return to Messenger office and get reward.

LOST—Class pin; A. M. C. 10, cross swords; reverse side S. A. L. Jr. leave at Lillard & Co. and get reward.

FOR SALE—A good piano. Will sell or trade for stock if sold in 20 days. Apply to M. L. Walker, route 5, Decatur.

FOR SALE—Martin & Williams have some good work mules for sale for cash or on time.

PIGS FOR SALE—Poland China and Duroc Jersey pigs for sale. M. T. Belew. Route 1. S. W. phone. (tf)

See J. E. Boyd for all kinds of insurance.

Cord Wood For Sale

Good dry cord wood, seven miles northeast of Decatur. Call Jim Smith on Independent phone, or Geo. Gentry on Southwestern phone.

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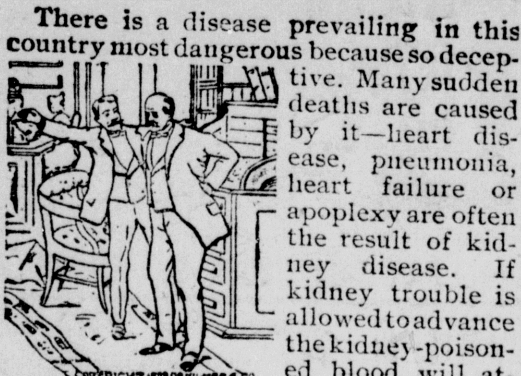
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The old and reliable insurance agency is now with J. E. Boyd exclusively, see him for all kinds of insurance.

See J. E. Boyd for sure enough live stock insurance.

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.



There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell. Bladder troubles almost always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's **Swamp-Root**, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

The Messenger.

NEW DENVER SCHEDULE

Arrive at Decatur

NORTH BOUND	SOUTH BOUND
No. 3—9:25 a. m.	No. 8—5:42 a. m.
No. 1—10:50 a. m.	No. 6—6:30 a. m.
No. 5—8:35 p. m.	No. 2—2:50 p. m.
No. 7—10:50 p. m.	No. 4—4:35 p. m.

News of Town and County

Chas. Moore is here from Chillicothe. Guinn Williams, of Ft. Worth, was here Sunday.

Miss Clyde White, of Bozeman, Mont., is visiting Mrs. Albert Fox and other relatives.

Miss Rita Haynes, of route 6, has returned after a two months visit in New Mexico and other points.

A. Devereux was in Alvord Saturday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Alse Burton, Tuesday morning, twins, boy and girl.

Dr. J. F. Ford was in Waco few days this week.

J. W. Fulghum, of Chico, one of the present grandjurymen, was an appreciated caller Tuesday. Mr. Fulghum and family have just returned from a visit to their old home at Booneville, Miss.

I will close my bakery Sunday afternoons until the ice cream season opens. Jno. J. Schnabel.

The first blizzard of the winter blew up Sunday afternoon, and since we have several days of snow and sleet, which will prove beneficial to the farmers. A good rain is needed.

Those living in the country are especially invited to attend the matinee performance of the Majestic moving picture show Saturdays at 3 and 4 p. m.

The grand jury adjourned Wednesday. The jury's work was greatly hindered by the recent bad weather. The jury's report to Judge Patterson is in this issue.

The court house has been without fire this week, on account of the flues burning out of the furnace.

The Majestic moving picture show has entire change of program on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Preacher Vastine was in Alvord Tuesday.

J. G. Summar and son, Cleve, were here from Stideli Wednesday.

A. A. Soward is here this week from Petersburg, Hale county, visiting his parents. "Doc" is now boosting the plains country. And as a booster he is ace high.

Josh Perkins at opera house Jan. 20th.

Old "Uncle Josh" better than ever this season, new specialties Jan. 20th.

Mrs. L. V. Swartz left Monday for a months visit to her brother, James Robertson, of Beeville, Texas.

Mrs. James Robertson and daughter, Miss Florence have returned to their home in Beeville after visiting Mrs. M. V. Robertson.

It is claimed by all that Uncle Josh Perkins show is far better this season than ever before. Don't fail to see him at opera house Jan. 20th.

Uncle Josh and his hay seed band Jan. 20th, this show never gets old, always something new about, come and laugh.

Mrs. A. H. Brady has returned from Ft. Worth where she has been visiting relatives.

Emmett Allen and family moved to Ft. Worth this week.

C. C. Henderson and A. H. Brady were collecting taxes in Alvord Tuesday.

W. L. Dallas, Fred Rea, Jack Moss, Ray Fatheree and A. H. Brady were in Ft. Worth Sunday.

Mrs. Lura Sikes, daughter of Rev. J. W. Good, was taken to Ft. Worth Wednesday to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

A good line axes, handles and cross-cut saws at the Nickel Store.

Mr. Will Terrell's singing of illustrated songs is a special feature each night at the Majestic.

Owing to the inclement weather the linen shower, which was to have been given at the Methodist parsonage this afternoon, has been postponed.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Appling, on Monday, a boy.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harris, on Dec. 25, a boy.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe White, on Dec. 24, a girl.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Helm, on Wednesday, a girl.

Go to the Nickel Store and get your single and double-trees, trace-chains, hames, back-bands, and all the things necessary to the farm.

R. M. Hampton, east of town, is reported dangerously sick.

Col. G. B. Pickett is confined to his room with the grip.

At the present time there is not a case of small pox in the county.

J. D. McEntire is sick with the la grippe.

Mrs. T. T. St. Clair who has been quite sick, is convalescing.

I am agent for the famous Alvord Mineral Water's. All orders will be promptly filled. Mrs. A. Devereux, Decatur, Texas.

Don H. Culton and W. L. Dallas are figuring on a deal at Memphis, which is a paying proposition. We hope they will land.

At the Methodist church Sunday Jan. 17, 09. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. preaching by pastor at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. junior league, 2:30 p. m. senior league, 4 p. m.

Dr. J. P. Turner was in to see us Monday. He was on his way to Austin to take up his duties as legislator.

The Majestic moving picture show is giving some splendid entertainment every night. The pictures are as good as you see in the large cities.

The city council has appointed Tom W. Brown, G. W. Ragsdale and M. B. Smith as a committee to audit the books of the present city officials at the end of their term of office.

The case of the state against Albert Mingo, charged with murder in the first degree, is set for Thursday Jan. 21. Mingo is the negro who killed Albert West another negro.

The City Bakery will be closed Sunday afternoons until the ice cream season opens.

Judge Chas. Soward went to Fort Worth last week and had one of his thumbs amputated on account of a cancerous growth on the member. The Judge is doing nicely since the operation.

W. L. Dallas goes to Olney next Monday to launch the new business of Russell, Dallas & Rea. W. L. is a live wire and we know he and his partners will make a success of the Olney store.

In the district court Mara Bros. of Crafton, sued Sheriff John Branch for \$8,000 damages for public sale of merchandise stock. The case was decided against the plaintiffs.

Marriage licenses: Lillie Price to Della Wallis; W. B. Browning to Pearl Evans; R. L. Meadows to Ella Kennedy; Walter Doyle to Bonnie Wright.

Write Soward & Bradford, Petersburg, Hale county, Texas, for full information regarding the famous southern plains country. All smooth land, all good water; all rich land. No alkali; no gyy, no waste.

Tully Fields, son of H. H. Fields, and Miss Lalage Lively, daughter of Ed Lively, were married last Friday night at the home of the bride. They are both members of wellknown and highly respected families and have many friends who join us in congratulations.

I have recently been appointed agent for the Indiana & Ohio Live Stock Ins. Co. the only safe company doing business in Texas. Ask me about it, I will also make it to your interest to place your fire insurance with me. Try me. Geo. W. Ragsdale, agent.

ALVORD—A shooting affray occurred at New Harp, ten miles east of here Tuesday, in which Wag Pollard was fatally wounded. The ball entered below the short ribs. The wounded man died at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. Louis Monroe went to Montague and surrendered to the authorities.

Decatur Baptist college literary societies are arranging an inter-collegiate debate with Bursleson college at Greenville. The debate will occur at Greenville sometime in March. Messrs. Hamilton Gentry and A. B. Miller will represent Decatur. The college will perhaps also debate Simmons college, of Abilene, here some time this term.

The Clansman which was booked here for Jan. 25th, cancelled their date, and the manager of the opera house has booked "The Little Prospector" by Chic Perkins you will notice in the Ft. Worth papers that "The Little Prospector" is a mighty good play, making all of the larger cities. Their date will be Jan. 27th, here.

The Messenger wishes to congratulate the Independent telephone people on the splendid service they are giving their patrons. The Messenger had occasion one day this week to call on our patron, J. W. Maley at Greenwood, and the service given us by both the Decatur operator and the good one at Greenwood was fine. It is the same throughout the county.

The Decatur Independent Telephone Association recently elected officers for the coming year. C. C. Jones was re-elected president, and the old board of directors was re-elected which was composed of T. L. Ball, Tom Gentry and N. B. Atkerson. J. R. Newcomb was re-appointed manager of the central exchange at Decatur. The association is now out of debt and in fine condition.

Tom McClure, former sheriff of Wise county, now cattle inspector in the panhandle country, has been elected assistant doorkeeper of the state senate. Tom is popular with the men who do things in this state, and we are glad to see it. Tom, like all ambitious, thoroughgoing, frank-spoken fellows, has his enemies, but he sails too high for them, and while they champ their bits and vow to bring about his political undoing he goes right ahead and hangs his hat with the big ones. Senator Bailey says Tom is a prince of fellows and one of his best friends.

The funeral of the late Keach Halsell was largely attended by our citizens. Quite a number of relatives and friends from out of town were in attendance, among them were, Ed. Halsell, of Muskogee; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Waggoner and Mrs. Dan Waggoner, of Fort Worth; brothers and sisters of the deceased; Burk Burnett, Tom Yarbrough, John Halsell, Miss Tommie Simmons, Guinn Williams, Harry and Oscar May, of Fort Worth. Claude and Miss Lucile Halsell accompanied the remains from El Paso, Milton, the youngest son, meeting them in Fort Worth. Roswell, another son, was not able to reach here from Jonesboro, Ark., in time to be at the funeral. Rev. Wages, assisted by Rev. Riddle, conducted the services at the grave; they were among the most impressive and beautiful ever heard at the local cemetery. In our report of Mr. Halsell's death in last week's Messenger the name of Milton was omitted in naming the children left by deceased.

A new grocery firm has opened up business in the progressive little city of Olney, in Young county, composed of Messrs. Russell, Dallas & Rea. The business interests of that section are to be congratulated upon having these excellent gentlemen and thorough business men coming among them. Such men are needed in any town. As merchants there are no better in the state of Texas, their splendid success and growing trade in this community amply attesting this fact. They are public-spirited men, thoroughly reliable in business transactions and christian gentlemen. For the past several months it has been the intention of the firm of Russell & Dallas to open up another store in the growing west, and Mr. Dallas, the business head and manager of the firm, has made several trips into that country and closely studied the towns. After a careful investigation of conditions, present, past and future, of the many thriving places in that good country, he selected the little city of Olney as the one best proposition, and this week the new business is opened. Mr. Fred Rea, one of our most excellent young men and a thorough groceryman, having been with the Russell & Dallas firm here for a number of years, will be in charge of the new store. Mr. J. U. Borum, for five years with this old reliable firm, and a fine fellow, will have the keeping of the books. Both of these gentlemen are old Decatur boys and we gladly recommend them to the good people of Olney and Young county. No business in that section, or any other section of this state, starts business under more favorable conditions; few if any have better backing in point of finance, none better in point of experience, and those essential qualities necessary to a successful business career—honesty, courtesy and strict integrity in all dealings.

Brave Fire Laddies.

often receive severe burns, putting out fires, then use Bucklen's Arnica Salve and forget them. It soon drives out pain. For Burns, Scalds, Wounds, Cuts and Bruises its earth's greatest healer. Quickly cures Skin Eruptions, Old Sores, Boils, Ulcers, Felons; best Pile cure made. Relief is instant. 25c at Man & Simmons.

For Real Estate Bargains

near Fort Worth, near the big packeries, call on or write A. W. Collier & Co., 106 E. Second st., Ft. Worth.

Caught in the Rain

then a cold and a cough—let it run on—get pneumonia or consumption that's all. No matter how you get your cough don't neglect it—take Ballard's Horehound Syrup and you'll be over it in no time. The sure cure for coughs, colds bronchitis and all pulmonary diseases in young and old. Sold by Man & Simmons.

The First National Bank

To our enemies and those who say evil of us.
To the rich.
To the poor.
To those who have lost, and those who have gained.
To those who have failed, and those who have succeeded.

Greeting:

To our customers, and those who might be.
To our friends, and those who would be.

God Bless You

Some have been eager-hearted, aspiring and bold.
Some have been heavy-laden, poor, sick and weary; upon whose paths have fallen many shadows.
Real banks, panics make better; real men and women, troubles and shadows make more worth while.
Begin with us this New Year, radiant with fresh'ning hope; and to you may each new day break with golden visions—health, and sweet flowers to blossom on the wayside.
TO ALL—A HAPPY, HAPPY NEW YEAR

W. T. Waggoner, Pres. T. B. Yarbrough, V. Pres.
W. L. Rush, Cashier. E. P. Gibson, Asst. Cash.
J. A. Simmons, Asst. Cash.

I Have Purchased THE FIELDS RESTAURANT

and BAKERY, and solicit a continuance of the present patronage, and wish to meet many new customers. I shall endeavor at all times to serve the public with the very best of edibles

CALL AND SEE ME

E. W. WILLIAMS

Insurance

I have purchased the A. H. Brady Insurance Agency and earnestly solicit the renewal of all business on his books. I am also prepared to take care of all business that my friends wish to trust me with in old reliable companies, such as the German American, Phenix of Brooklyn, North British, Delaware, and others that are here to stay.

Geo. W. Ragsdale, Agt.

70 Years with Coughs

We have had nearly seventy years of experience with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. That makes us have great confidence in it for coughs, colds, bronchitis, weak throats, and weak lungs. Ask your own doctor what experience he has had with it. He knows. He can advise you wisely. Keep in close touch with your family physician. No alcohol in this cough medicine. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

Be well; be strong. You cannot if your bowels are constipated. The best laxative is Ayer's Pills, all vegetable. Ask your doctor if he agrees with us. Do as he says.

Don't Take the Risk.

When you have a bad cough or cold do not let it drag along until it becomes chronic bronchitis, or develops into an attack of pneumonia, but give it the attention it deserves and get rid of it. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you are sure of prompt relief. From a small beginning the sale and use of this preparation has extended to all parts of the United States and to many foreign countries.

Its many remarkable cures of coughs and colds have won for it this wide reputation and extensive use. Sold by City Drug Store—Man & Simmons.

PILES get immediate relief from Dr. Shoop's Magic Ointment.
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SCIENCE AND INVENTION

"GROWING" CAST IRON.

Remarkable Peculiarity of the Metal and Reason for It.

That cast iron will swell remarkably in bulk when alternately heated and cooled was shown about three years ago by Alexander E. Outerbridge, Jr., of Philadelphia, who was awarded in 1904 the Elliott Cresson

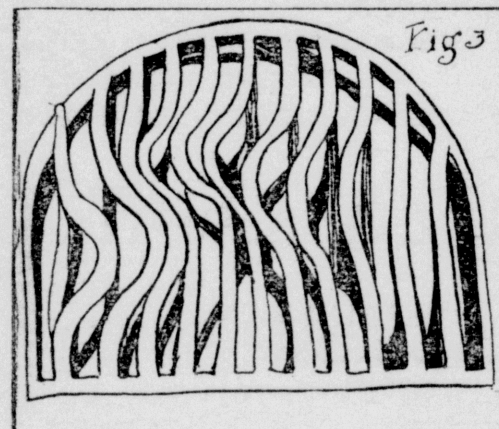
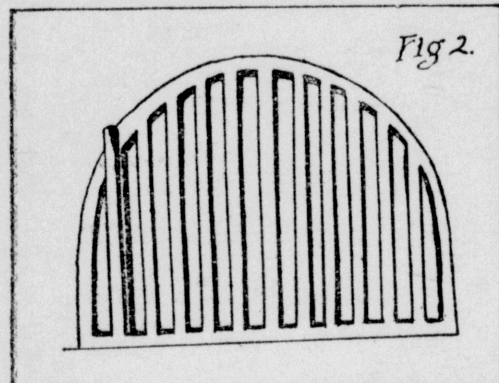
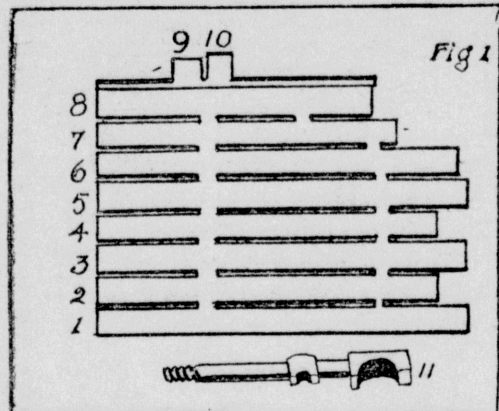


Fig. 1 shows cast-iron test bars (Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) all cast of same dimensions, viz.: 14 1/2 x 13 x 1/2 inches. Bars 2 and 4 remained unchanged; the others have grown in cubical dimensions, under the heat treatment, from 30 to 40 per cent. No. 7 bar was cut 12 inches in length before treatment; it is now 13 inches long and 1 1/2 inches cross-section. No. 8 is a steel bar cut 12 inches in length, and it has contracted one-eighth inch under the same treatment as bar No. 7. No. 9 is a section of bar before treatment. No. 10 is a section of the same bar after expansion by the treatment. No. 11 shows a piston of small pump after having been increased forty-five-one-thousandths inch in diameter on polished end before being reground to size. Figs. 2 and 3 show cast-iron gratings before and after exposure to heat.

gold medal of the Franklin Institute for his discovery. It seems possible, from facts stated in an article in the Philadelphia Record, that this discovery may prove to be useful as well as curious. We read:

"It had long been observed that iron castings, such as grate-bars and the like, when subjected to great heat for a long period of time, warped, twisted, and eventually cracked, but the true cause thereof had never been scientifically investigated, and various theories, such as 'oxidation' of the metal, 'burning' of some of the component parts, 'absorption of sulphur' from fuel, etc., were commonly advanced to account for the facts.

"In order to study the effects of heat on metals, Mr. Outerbridge prepared a number of test-bars, all of the same size, of cast iron, wrought iron, steel, copper and bronze. These bars—which were exactly one foot long and one inch square section—were inclosed in an iron pipe about two feet long, the ends of the pipe being lined with fire-clay.

"The pipe containing the bars was then placed in a gas-furnace and heat-

ed for about ten hours to a high temperature, but not sufficiently high to soften the pipe or melt the test-bars.

"The pipe was allowed to cool down over night before opening, and the inclosed test-bars taken out when quite cold and accurately measured. The cast-iron bars differed from all of the others in that they had all grown permanently longer and thicker; the bars of steel showed, on the contrary, a very slight diminution in dimensions, while the other metal bars were unchanged in size.

"These tests were then repeated many times, and, surprising to relate, the cast-iron bars continued growing in length, breadth and thickness, until the increase in volume amounted to no less than 46 per cent., after which there was no further increase by subsequent heating and cooling. It was found that the bars were unchanged in weight and retained their metallic solidity in appearance to the naked eye.

"When, however, a thin section of one of the bars was examined under a powerful microscope it was found coarser in texture than a section of the same bar before the permanent increase in dimensions had taken place.

"It was also found, as might be expected, that the strength of the metal was as decreased in proportion to the permanent expansion. Mr. Outerbridge found by microscopic and chemical examination that the extraordinary enlargement of cast iron is due to a movement among the molecules or individual particles of cast iron (which is a crystalline metal) and not to oxidation or absorption of sulphur or to burning out of any of the component parts.

"Soon various practical applications of this discovery were found . . . among which the following may be noted:

"In the American Machinist of July 7, 1907, a maker of marine gas-engines describes how a cast-iron piston 3 1/2 inches in diameter and 4 1/2 inches long which had become worn by friction until it was too small for further use was caused to 'grow' to its original size in one treatment and that he had been able to restore it promptly into daily use, whereas formerly a new piston would have been required, causing considerable delay and expense."

Electricity Used in Tunnel.

Since the middle of May the St. Clair tunnel, running between Sarnia, Ont., and Port Huron, Mich., has been operated with electric locomotives. The operation has been in charge of the contractors, in order to thoroughly test the equipment. The St. Clair tunnel is 6,032 feet long, with a two per cent. grade at each end. Heretofore it has been necessary to break up the freight trains at each terminal into separate sections so that they could safely be drawn through the tunnel by a single steam locomotive. The use of electric locomotives eliminates the danger of suffocation in the tunnel, and permits long freight trains to be drawn through, thus saving considerable time, which heretofore has been used in making up the sections.

A Home-Made Barometer.

Take one-fourth ounce of pulverized camphor, 62 grains of pulverized nitrate of potassium, 31 grains nitrate of ammonia and dissolve in two ounces alcohol. Put the solution in a long, slender bottle, closed at the top with a piece of bladder containing a pinhole to admit air, says Metal Worker. When rain is coming the solid particles will tend gradually to mount, little crystals forming in the liquid, which otherwise remains clear; if high winds are approaching the liquid will become as if fermenting, while a film of solid particles forms on the surface; during fair weather the liquid remains clear and the solid particles will rest at the bottom.

The last edition of the New York Telephone book weighed 2,000 tons.

hissing as the gases escaped. The sound of the hammer striking the firing-pin was much sharper than the report of the piece. The invention appears to be entirely practicable and it is thought that it will work a revolution in warfare. The firing line of an army equipped with noiseless and smokeless rifles will be very hard to locate, as there will be neither noise nor smoke to guide the observer as to the position of the enemy. A dangerous feature of the new weapon is that it lends itself admirably to the cowardly assassin. With a noiseless gun it will be possible to shoot down a man in the street without alarming the police. On the other hand, as a game gun the new rifle will be highly prized, it being possible with it to shoot an animal without scaring the remainder of the herd; but even that has its drawback, as it will tend to make the business of pot-hunting successful."

Best Wrapping for Butter.

The use of aluminum paper with which to wrap butter is said to preserve the sweetness of the butter for a very long period.

EASY FOR THE PAINTER.

Worthy Individual Had All the Details in His Mind.

A Chicago artist relates how a wealthy individual from Kansas City, with his wife and three sons and four daughters, once called upon him.

"Here we are!" exclaimed the head of the family. "Nearly a dozen of us, Mr. Painter. How much for a painting of the whole of us, discount for cash?"

"That will depend," answered the artist, hiding a smile with his hand, "upon the dimensions, style, etc."

"Oh, that's all fixed," responded the other breezily, with the air of a man who knows exactly what he wants. "We are to be dashed off in one piece as large as life, sitting on the lawn of my place just outside of little old K. C., singing 'Hail Columbia!'"—Harper's Weekly.

DREADFUL DANDRUFF.

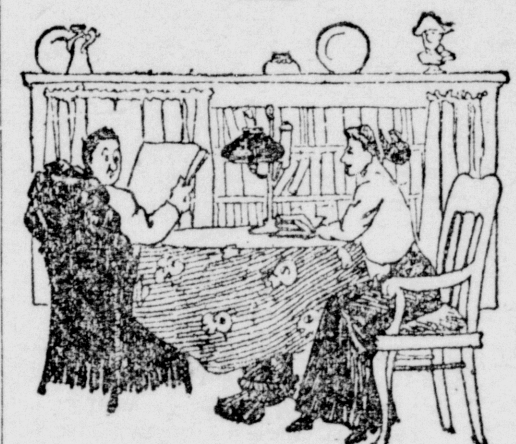
Girl's Head Encrusted—Feared Loss of All Her Hair—Baby Had Milk-Crust—Missionary's Wife Made

Two Perfect Cures by Cuticura.

"For several years my husband was a missionary in the Southwest. Every one in that high and dry atmosphere has more or less trouble with dandruff and my daughter's scalp became so encrusted with it that I was alarmed for fear she would lose all her hair. After trying various remedies, in desperation I bought a cake of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment. They left the scalp beautifully clean and free from dandruff, and I am happy to say that the Cuticura Remedies were a complete success. I have also used successfully the Cuticura Remedies for so-called 'milk-crust' on baby's head. Cuticura is a blessing. Mrs. J. A. Darling, 310 Fifth St., Carthage, Ohio, Jan. 20, 1908."

Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

DOMESTIC REPARTEE.



Mr. Knagg—Before you met me you said you wouldn't marry the best man in the world.

Mrs. Knagg—And you are the only one who thinks that I broke my word.

Unique Visiting Card.

Mme. Johanna Galski has brought to this country a fad that has become quite the rage in Germany, where it was introduced by no less a personage than the crown princess herself. It is a new form of visiting card, containing not only an elaborately engraved border, but a silhouette of the person it represents. The custom calls for a design appropriate to the holder's station. Thus, in Mme. Galski's case the prima donna's head is framed in a border of laurel, while a lyre forms the base of the design. The card is not only unique but exceedingly pretty and effective.

Too Strong for Uaddy.

It was raining outside, and little interrogative Irma was in one of her worst, or at least most trying, moods. Father, busily writing at his desk, had already reproved her several times for bothering him with useless questions.

"I say, pa, what—"

"Ask your mother."

"Honest, pa, this isn't a silly one this time."

"All right, this once. What is it?"

"Well, if the end of the world was to come, and the earth was destroyed while a man was up in an airship, where would he land when he came down?"—Everybody's.

ROSY AND PLUMP

Good Health from Right Food.

"It's not a new food to me," remarked a Va. man, in speaking of Grape-Nuts.

"About twelve months ago my wife was in very bad health, could not keep anything on her stomach. The Doctor recommended milk half water but it was not sufficiently nourishing.

"A friend of mine told me one day to try Grape-Nuts and cream. The result was really marvelous. My wife soon regained her usual strength and to-day is as rosy and plump as when a girl of sixteen.

"These are plain facts and nothing I could say in praise of Grape-Nuts would exaggerate in the least the value of this great food."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Mabel's Wish.

Small Mabel—Mamma, they sell cream at a creamery, don't they?

Mamma—Yes, dear.

Small Mabel—If I were to buy some tan at a tannery, mamma, do you think they would throw in a few freckles?

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine.

The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

Every missionary society with over \$10,000 income per year will be asked to send delegates to the world conference at Edinburgh two years hence.

ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE"

That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Know what thou canst work at and do it like a Hercules.—Carlyle.

Lewis' Single Binder cigar—richest, most satisfying smoke on the market. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Better one discreet enemy than two indiscreet friends.

Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna

Cleanses the System Effectually.

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Acts naturally, acts truly as a Laxative.

Best for Men, Women and Children—Young and Old.

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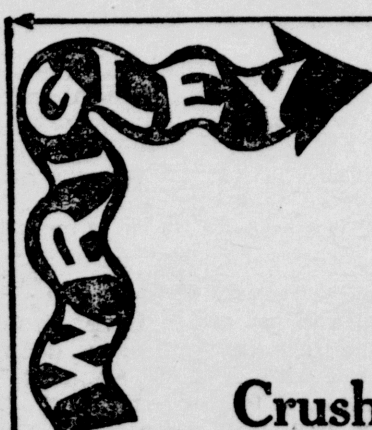
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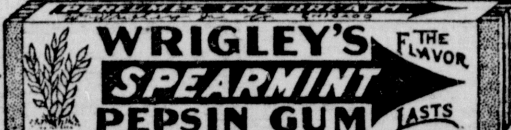
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OUT flows the delicious mint leaf juice!

WRIGLEY'S Spearmint is full of it—and you can't chew it out.

Look for the spear



The flavor lasts

KENNEDY IS SPEAKER

Galleries Filled With Spectators at Opening Session Tuesday.

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

Speaker Asks Members to Proceed With Business.—J. M. Terrell President Senate.

Austin, Jan. 13.—In the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature, which convened yesterday, the feature event was the election of a speaker. Up to Monday night there were three candidates, Hon. A. M. Kennedy of McLennan County, Hon. John Mobley of Henderson County, and Hon. W. C. Davis of Brazos County. The latter was not put in nomination. He seconded the nomination of Mr. Kennedy and the vote was: Kennedy 69, Mobley 63. On motion of Mr. Mobley, Mr. Kennedy was declared unanimously elected. All members of the house were present. One did not vote.

Kennedy supporters charge there was executive interference in the campaign because of activities of Love and Dashiell. Governor Campbell says has taken no part in the matter.

The rules governing the proceedings of the previous Legislatures were adopted temporarily.

Bob Barker of Bexar County was re-elected chief clerk. Other positions are to be filled today.

In the Senate.

In the Senate, Hon. J. M. Terrell of Morris County, was elected President pro tem

Frank Hornbuckle of Bosque county was elected sergeant at arms, securing 16 votes. Clem H. Allen of Travis County, who has been in that position during several sessions, secured 15 votes.

Rev. H. M. Sears of Travis County was re-elected chaplain, the vote for him being 18. Rev. W. O. Rains of Grayson county secured 12 votes.

A resolution by Senator Willacy in memory of the late Senator R. B. Green of Bexar county was unanimously adopted by rising vote.

Senators Peeler, Perkins and Terrell of McLennan were appointed to notify the Governor that the Senate is organized and ready for business. Senators Hudspeth, Hume and Thomas were selected to similarly notify the house.

An attempt is making in New York to limit the height of buildings in that city to 350 feet. It is urged that the higher buildings, those of five or six hundred feet, are a menace to the health of the people as well as dangerous in case of fire. In Boston and in Washington a much lower limit has been established by law.

The divorce statistics just published emphasize again the need of a uniform national divorce law as the only means by which the evil can be kept in check. As a chain is no stronger than its weakest link, neither is divorce in the union more difficult than in the state with the most lax laws. There is no use in passing a restrictive law in one state which can be nullified at individual pleasure in another.

Mr. Powderly, after investigation, declares there are few men in the New York "bread line" who want to work. He suggests state farms. Good, as far as it goes. But many of these men would be of no use on any kind of a farm. Some are better adapted to building roads. The plan of Orlando F. Lewis for employment stations is more comprehensive and more practical, thinks the Pittsburg Dispatch.

A British peer advocates temporary confiscation of a car for automobile speeding. The remedy is, in the opinion of the Baltimore American, rather drastic, but it is evident from the increasing number of accidents and the disregard for life and limb manifested by the speed maniacs that something must be done in the way of punitive legislation. The present system of fines is wholly inadequate; in fact, they constitute but the smallest part of the running expenses of motoring, and plainly are so regarded.

The navy department wants a wireless telephone plant established in Washington for its use. If the system is sufficiently practical to be in such demand it will soon be in general use and vocal messages will be floating through the air in every direction. But where is the sound while the message is on its travel? The query suggests the old problem: If a tree falls in the middle of a forest where no man can hear it, is there any noise from the crash?

PATIENT SUFFERING.

Many Women Think They Are Doomed to Backache.

It is not right for women to be always ailing with backache, urinary ills, headache and other symptoms of kidney disease. There is a way to end these troubles quickly. Mrs. John H. Wright, 606 East First St., Mitchell, S. D., says: "I suffered ten years with kidney complaint and a doctor told me I would never get more than temporary relief. A dragging pain and lameness in my back almost disabled me. Dizzy spells came and went and the kidney secretions were irregular. Doan's Kidney Pills rid me of these troubles and I feel better than for years past."

Sold by all dealers. 50c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Valuable Conch Shells.

The conch shell is highly prized in India. In many of the temples they are blown daily to scare away the malignant spirits while the god receives his daily meal. A conch with the spiral twistings to the right instead of to the left is supposed to be worth its weight in gold. Some years ago a conch of that description was offered for sale in Calcutta, with a reserve price of a lakh of rupees placed on it. It was eventually bought in for \$20,000.

It's Dangerous.

To neglect a cold the results are too often very serious. Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Pneumonia and Consumption are frequently the consequences. Upon the appearance of a cold, sore throat or chest, use Simmons' Cough Syrup. It soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm and promptly cures you.

Sure Sign.

Mrs. Murphy—Arrah! 'Tis Saterdag night an' th' facth'ry is closin' down an' Timmy don't know whether he'll git his pay or not.

Mrs. Flaherty—Here he comes home now.

Mrs. Murphy—Wirra! Thin he ain't been paid.

There Has Recently Been Placed

In all the drug stores an aromatic, pleasant herb cure for woman's ills, called Mother Gray's AUSTRALIAN LEAF. It is the only certain regulator. Quickly relieves female weaknesses and backache, kidney, bladder and urinary troubles. At all Druggists or by mail 50 cts. Sample FREE. Address, The Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

Near Goodness.

Mother—Have you been a good girl while I've been away?

Little Girl—Not quite.—Harper's Weekly.

"We Have Many Similar."

The following is an extract from a letter received from Mr. H. H. Meyers of Stuttgart, Ark.: "You would greatly oblige me if you would introduce Hunt's Lightning Oil at Millidgeville, Ill., as I have many friends and relatives there, in whom I am much concerned, and I understand the Oil is not kept there. I can recommend it as the best medicine I ever had in my house. It cured me of a bad case of the Bloody Flux in less than one-half hour, and it cured my grand-daughter of a bad case of Cholera Morbus in a very short time."

Rather Hard.

The messenger entered the palace with the dispatches.

"Brimstone and asphalt!" ejaculated Castro, as he read the yellow slip. "Holland threatens to spank us."

"Well, what of it, your excellency?" responded the secretary. "Other nations have threatened to do the same."

"Yes, but, confound it, this is a spanking that will hurt. The Dutch wear wooden shoes."

"Nails."

"Nails are a mighty good thing—particularly finger nails—but I don't believe they were intended solely for scratching, though I used mine largely for that purpose for several years. I was sorely afflicted and had it to do. One application of Hunt's Cure, however, relieved my itch and less than one box cured me entirely."

J. M. WARD,

Index, Texas.

Rapid Transit.

Mrs. Blunder had just received a telegram from India.

"What an admirable invention the telegram is!" she exclaimed, "when you come to consider that this message has come a distance of thousands of miles and the gum on the envelope isn't dry yet."—Tit-Bits.

Hon. Emil Kiang, Vienna, Aus., one of the world's greatest horsemen, has written to the manufacturers: "SPOHN'S DISTEMPER COMPOUND has become the standard remedy for distempers and throat diseases in the best stables of Europe. This medicine relieves Horses of great suffering and saves much money for the owner." 50c and \$1 a bottle. All druggists. SPOHN MEDICAL CO., Goshen, Ind.

Reading furnishes the mind only with materials of knowledge; it is thinking makes what we read ours.—Locke.

Garfield Tea, the Herb Laxative, agreeably stimulates the liver, corrects constipation and relieves a clogged system. Write for samples. Garfield Tea Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.

A sensible man is one who knows when to let go before taking hold.

Answer This Question

When shown positive and reliable proof that a certain remedy had cured numerous cases of female ills, wouldn't any sensible woman conclude that the same remedy would also benefit her if suffering with the same trouble?

Here are two letters which prove the efficiency of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Red Banks, Miss.—"Words are inadequate to express what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I suffered from a female disease and weakness which the doctors said was caused by a fibroid tumor, and I commenced to think there was no help for me. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound made me a well woman after all other means had failed. My friends are all asking what has helped me so much, and I gladly recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. Willie Edwards.

Hampstead, Maryland.—"Before taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was weak and nervous, and could not be on my feet half a day without suffering. The doctors told me I never would be well without an operation, but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done more for me than all the doctors, and I hope this valuable medicine may come into the hands of many more suffering women."—Mrs. Joseph H. Dandy.

We will pay a handsome reward to any person who will prove to us that these letters are not genuine and truthful—or that either of these women were paid in any way for their testimonials, or that the letters are published without their permission, or that the original letter from each did not come to us entirely unsolicited.

What more proof can any one ask?

For 30 years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been the standard remedy for female ills. No sick woman does justice to herself who will not try this famous medicine. Made exclusively from roots and herbs, and has thousands of cures to its credit.

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health free of charge. Address Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass.



A Good Tonic

For Sick Women

Of course, well people don't need a tonic. But sick people, and especially sick women, frequently do. That feeling of weakness, tiredness, or languidness, that seems to make every movement or thought an effort, is much more than merely disagreeable. It is a sign of dangerous weakness, and should be promptly treated with Wine of Cardui.

Mrs. Annie Vaughan, of Raleigh, N. C., writes: "I cannot find words to express my deep gratitude

for what your wonderful medicine Wine of Cardui did for me, for I sincerely believe it saved my life.

"I was sick and worn-out, almost unto death. My sister finally persuaded me to take Cardui. Before I had taken five (5) bottles, I was well and strong." Try Cardui. 'Twill help you.



MRS. ANNIE VAUGHAN

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Write for 64-page illustrated Book, "Home Treatment for Women," describing symptoms of Female Diseases and giving valuable hints on health, hygiene, diet, medicine, etc., for women. Sent free, postpaid. Address: Ladies Advisory Dept., The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

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His Explanation.

"What does you reckon dey means by sayin': 'Last of all come Satan?'" "Hit means dat he waits 'twel all de crowd is in an' den whirls in an' nabs de whole business!"—Exchange.

For Headache, Try Hicks' Capudine. Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid—pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

And the world would be just as well off if some stage-struck people were hit by automobiles.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar. Made of extra quality tobacco. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Many a man thinks he is charitable because he gives advice.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES

Color more goods brighter and faster colors than any other dye. One 10c package colors all fibers. They dye in cold water better than any other dye. You can dye any garment without ripping apart. Write for free booklet—How to Dye, Bleach and Mix Colors. MONROE DRUG CO., Quincy, Illinois.

The total gifts for last year to the Christian Missionary alliance amount to close to \$250,000, the largest in the history of the organization.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS. PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

Cleaning upsets a house almost as badly as it does a watch.

Allen's Foot-Ease, a Powder For swollen, sweating feet. Gives instant relief. The original powder for the feet. 25c at all Druggists.

The secret of success is a secret women never tell.

PISO'S
AN UNSURPASSED REMEDY!
Piso's Cure is an unsurpassed remedy for coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma, hoarseness and throat and lung affections. It goes direct to the seat of the trouble and generally restores healthy conditions. Mothers can give their children Piso's Cure with perfect confidence in its curative powers and freedom from opiates. Famous for half a century. At all druggists, 25 cts.

GLOVER SEED
Absolutely Pure, No Weeds
Ex. Gov. Board of Wisconsin, from 30 acres sown to Salzer's 20th Century Alfalfa, harvested within 24 weeks after seeding \$2500.00 worth of magnificent hay, or at the rate of over \$80.00 per acre. Big seed catalog free; or send 10c in stamps for sample of this Alfalfa, also Billion Dollar Grass, Oats, Wheat, Barley, etc., easily worth \$10.00 of any man's money to get a start with. Or, send 14c and we add a sample alfalfa seed novelty never seen before by you.
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W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 3, 1909.

You Look Prematurely Old

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ANNUAL REPORT H.P. A. WILL VOTE FOR SUBMISSION

First annual report of J. E. Boyd, Secretary of Wise County Home Protective Association, No. 1., for the year ending December, 31, 1908.

MORTUARY FUND.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1908.	\$1125.00
Collections for eight assessments for the year 1908.	\$9308.00
Total.	\$10431.00
Paid out to policy holders as follows:	
On death of Mrs. Dora Campbell, Paradise.	\$1000.00
On death of Mrs. K. I. Tidwell, Decatur.	\$1000.00
On death of Mrs. Jennie Byrom, Marlow, Okla.	\$1000.00
On death of Mr. W. T. Brock, Bridgeport.	\$1000.00
On death of Mr. W. T. Goad, Chico.	\$1000.00
On death of J. D. Haynes, Bridgeport.	\$1000.00
On death of C. C. Newberry, Rhome.	\$1000.00
On death of J. E. Sermons, Wise Co.	\$1000.00
On death of Mrs. Ellen Forry, Guthrie.	\$1000.00
Total.	\$9000.00
Balance in hand Treas. W. L. Rush, Jan. 1, 1909.	\$1431.00

EXPENSE FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1908 \$388.35

Collections Sept. 30, 1908. \$580.00

Total \$968.35

Paid out for postage Sec. et \$438.88

Balance in hand Treas. W. L. Rush expense fund Jan. 1, 1909. \$529.47

Balance Mortuary fund on hand \$1431

Total balance \$1960.00

We are glad to report, that our order is full to the supposed limit 1200, but at a recent meeting it was decided to be to the interest of the association to continue to receive all good risks applying, as we have been running short thru the summer months. So continue to send in your applications. All Wise county members may consider themselves solicitors for the association.

J. E. Boyd, Secretary.
Decatur, Texas.

Lame Shoulder.

This is a common form of muscular rheumatism. No internal treatment is needed. Apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely twice a day and a quick cure is certain. This liniment has proven especially valuable for muscular and chronic rheumatism, and is sure to give quick relief. Chamberlain's Liniment is also most excellent for sprains and bruises. Price, 25 cents; large size 50 cents. Sold by City Drug Store--Man & Simmons.

Fifth Sunday Meeting

Of Wise County Association to Be Held With Decatur Church Beginning Thursday Night, Jan. 28, 1909.

Introductory sermon, M. C. Golden.

FRIDAY MORNING

9:00--Devotional, E. G. Penington.

9:30--Baptist Literature. Of the state, M. L. McDowell; Of the S. B. C., E. B. Moore.

11:00--Preaching.

FRIDAY EVENING

2:00--Devotional service, J. E. Boyd.

2:30--Relative position of Christian Education in the work of the Kingdom, W. C. Carver.

3:30--Our present obligation to Decatur College, W. M. W. Splawn.

FRIDAY NIGHT

7:00--Song and prayer service.

7:30--Texas Baptist Memorial Sanitarium.

SATURDAY MORNING

9:00--Devotional, Henry Wilson.

9:30--Paying the Preacher. Pastor's part, A. F. Garner; Deacon's part, W. W. NeSmith; People's part, J. B. Tidwell.

SATURDAY EVENING

2:00--Devotional, A. G. Coston.

2:30--Ministerial Education, S. R. Spencer.

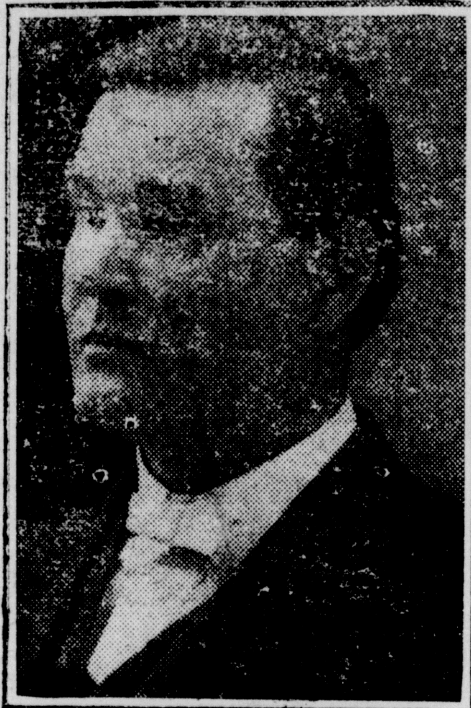
3:00--Our Work in Wise County; discussion led by A. R. Anderson.

SATURDAY NIGHT

7:00--Preaching.

If your stomach, heart, or kidneys are weak, try at least a few doses of Dr. Shoop's Restorative. In five or ten days only, the result will surprise you. A few cents will cover the cost. And here is why help comes so quickly. Dr. Shoop doesn't drug the stomach nor stimulate the heart or kidneys. Dr. Shoop's Restorative goes directly to the weak and failing nerves. Each organ has its own controlling nerve. When these nerves fail, the depending organs must of necessity falter. This plain, yet vital truth, clearly tells why Dr. Shoop's Restorative is so universally successful. Its success is leading druggists everywhere to give it universal preference. A test will surely tell. Sold by C. B. Gunn.

Messenger gives the news for \$1 yr



DR. J. P. TURNER, of Slidell.

Representative J. P. Turner of the Eightieth district was in Ft. Worth early last night from his home at Slidell, Wise county, en route to Austin, where he will be present this morning when the lower house of the legislature is called to order. This is Mr. Turner's first service among the lawmakers and he has not pledged himself in the speakership contest, having known none of the candidates personally, though he expressed a leaning toward Kennedy. In discussing his position on matters of probable legislation, Mr. Turner said: "I shall vote for the submission of the question of state-wide prohibition to a vote of the people, and for a law guaranteeing bank deposits. I have no pet bills as yet which I will introduce, but you may depend upon me to do all in my power to prevent any vicious measures at the hands of the legislature. I am anxious to see everything possible done for the betterment of the educational interests of the state, and to that end I shall favor a bill for graduated terms of compulsory school attendance. We are coming to this in Texas, but I think we should do so gradually by making the compulsory terms short at first and then lengthening them as the public is educated up to it."

"I am also in favor of some same amendments to the present tax law, and shall insist on a revision of the anti-pass law so as to allow publishers to carry contracts with the railroads in which advertising space is exchanged for mileage."

Mr. Turner is a prominent druggist at Slidell and was prevented from going to Austin early by an accident in the family of the man who takes charge of his business, in which the wife was killed in a runaway accident last week.

Mr. Turner has not missed a copy of the Record since it came into existence.—The Ft. Worth Record.

ASSISTANT DOOR-KEEPER SENATE



TOM MCCLURE, of Jones County.

A Horrible Hold Up.

"About ten years ago my brother was 'held up' in his work, health and happiness by what was believed to be hopeless Consumption," writes W. R. Lipscomb, of Washington, N. C. "He took all kinds of remedies and treatment from several doctors, but found no help till he used Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles. He is a well man to-day."

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Don't Get A Divorce.

A western judge granted a divorce on account of ill-temper and bad breath. Dr. King's New Life Pills would have prevented it. They cure Constipation, causing bad breath and Liver Trouble the ill-temper, dispel colds, banish headaches, conquer chills. 25c at Man & Simmons.

Every Mother

is or should be worried when the little ones have a cough or cold. It may lead to croup or pleurisy or pneumonia --then to something more serious. Ballard's Borehound Syrup will cure the trouble at once and prevent any complication. Sold by Man & Simmons.

THE STORE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE

IS MANING SOME EXTRA BARGAINS IN ORDER

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Swell line of new men's clothing, suits \$7.50 to \$20; Extra pants \$1.25 to \$6.50 Complete assortment John B. Stetson Hats \$4 to \$6. Hamilton Bown's American Gentlemen and American Lady shoes that have gained for themselves world-wide reputations. Dress Goods in all the new patterns weaves and shades. Famous Kabo Corsets \$1.00 to \$3.00 Latest novelties in ladies' Neckwear, Belts and Combs. Swell line ladies' and Gentlemen's Mufflers and Silk Handkerchiefs. Complete line Trunks, Grips, Suit Cases and Telescopes. Beautiful line Overcoats, Cloaks, Furs and Skirts. Nice assortment Blankets and comforts. Come to see us.

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Distress From Dyspepsia or a Disordered Stomach Vanishes Five Minutes Later

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Your meals will taste good, and anything you eat will be digested; nothing can ferment and turn into acid or poison or stomach gas, which causes Belching, Dizziness, a feeling of fullness after eating, Nausea. Indigestion (like a lump of lead in stomach), Biliousness, Heartburn, Water brash, Pain in stomach and intestines or other symptoms.

Headaches from the stomach are absolutely unknown where this effective remedy is used. Diapepsin really does all the work of a healthy stomach. It digests your meals when your stomach can't. Each triangle will digest all the food you can eat and leave nothing to ferment or sour.

Get a large 50-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from your druggist and start taking today and by tomorrow you will actually brag about your healthy, strong stomach, for you then can eat anything and everything you want without the slightest discomfort or misery and every particle of impurity and Gas that is in your stomach and intestines is going to be carried away without the use of laxatives or any other assistance.

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Kidney, Bladder and Prostate Diseases, successfully treated and permanently cured without the knife. See book--cured in a few days. Phimosis without pain.

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WILL RENSHAW, Manager

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2. Spot Cash houses like the Decatur Grocer Co. make and carry no dead accounts; we therefore charge up no dead losses to our live customers. We can therefore sell our goods cheaper than they can be bought from merchatts doing a credit business.
3. The wholesale houses are open to us; we can buy as cheaply and variedly as our competitors; we can therefore sell as cheaply on this score.
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